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RE: *Bell Atlantic Corp. and GTE Corp., CC Docket No. 98-184*

Dear Ms. Berkowitz:

This letter addresses Verizon's request for the Wireline Competition Bureau (Bureau) (formerly Common Carrier Bureau) to apply changes adopted by the New York Public Service Commission to the Carrier-to-Carrier Performance Plan (Performance Plan) for the NP-2-01 and NP-2-02 Performance Measures to July data instead of May.¹ In its request, Verizon stated that these changes required programming changes in order to precisely calculate the metrics as they are defined in the recently approved red-line of the business rules. Pursuant to the *Bell Atlantic/GTE Merger Order*, I grant Verizon's request.²

If Verizon disagrees with any of this letter's guidance, it may file an application for review with the Commission pursuant to section 1.115 of the Commission's rules.³

Please do not hesitate to contact me if I can be of further assistance. In addition, you may contact Bill Dever, Assistant Division Chief, Competition Policy Division in the Wireline Competition Bureau at (202) 418-1578.

Sincerely,

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Deputy Chief, Wireline Competition Bureau

CC: Dee May, Verizon

¹ Letter from Ann D. Berkowitz, Project Manager, Verizon, to Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, CC Docket No. 98-184 (filed July 2, 2002). See *Application of GTE Corp., Transferor, and Bell Atlantic Corp., Transferee, For Consent to Transfer Control of Domestic and International Sections 214 and 310 Authorizations and Applications to Transfer Control of a Submarine Cable Landing License*, CC Docket 98-184, Memorandum Opinion and Order, 15 FCC Rcd 14032 (2000) (*Bell Atlantic/GTE Merger Order*).

² See *Bell Atlantic/GTE Merger Order*, 15 FCC Rcd 14032 at App. D, Attach. A.

³ 47 C.F.R. § 1.115.